

# CITY OF JERSEY CITY REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS:

# SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING CONSULTING SERVICES

# SUBMISSION DEADLINE 11:00 AM October 2, 2008

# ADDRESS ALL QUALIFICATION STATEMENTS TO:

Peter Folgado
Acting Director, Purchasing
1 Journal Square Plaza
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
Jersey City, NJ 07306

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#### **SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION & SUMMARY**

## 1.1 Organization Requesting Qualifications

City of Jersey City - Department of Administration/Division of Engineering 280 Grove Street Jersey City, NJ 07302

#### 1.2 Contact Person

Peter Folgado Acting Director, Purchasing 1 Journal Square Plaza 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Jersey City, NJ 07307 (201) 547-5156

## 1.3 Procurement Process

This contract will be awarded as an "extraordinary unspecifiable services agreement" (EUS) as defined by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A 40A:11-5 (1) (a) (I), using the "fair and open" process of the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play" Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 *et seq.* 

Qualifications will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The governing body will approve a resolution awarding a contract to the consultant for a sum not to exceed a specified amount.

#### 1.4 Contract Form

If selected to provide services, it is agreed and understood that the successful Respondent shall be bound by the requirements and terms contained in this RFQ with regard to services performed, payments, indemnification, insurance, termination, and applicable licensing provisions.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by Contractor shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the City arising out of, or by reason of, the work done and materials furnished under this Contract.

## 1.5 Informational meeting

There will not be an informational meeting for this RFQ.

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#### 1.6 Submission deadline

Qualifications Statements must be submitted to, and be received by the City of Jersey City, via mail or hand delivery, by 11:00 a.m. prevailing time on October 2, 2008. Qualifications Statements will not be accepted by facsimile transmission or e-mail. Any and all Qualification Statements not received by the deadline will be rejected.

## 1.7 Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to and are used in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ):

"City" - refers to the City of Jersey City

"RFQ" - refers to this Request for Qualifications, including any amendments thereof or supplements thereto.

"Respondent" or "Respondents" - refers to the interested persons and/or firm(s) that submit a Statement of Oualifications.

"Consultant" or "Consultants" - refers to the interested persons and/or firm(s) that submit a Statement of Qualifications.

"Vendor" or "Vendors" - refers to the interested persons and/or firm(s) that submit a Statement of Qualifications.

## 1.9 Submission address

All Qualifications Statements should be sent to:

Peter Folgado Acting Director, Purchasing 1 Journal Square Plaza 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306

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#### SECTION 2: INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

## 2.1 Introduction and Purpose

The City of Jersey City has recently amended its municipal code (Chapter 287 Solid Waste) to conform with state-mandated recycling regulations. To comply with those regulations, it is necessary to utilize solid waste/recycling consulting services in the areas of multi-family and commercial development construction, renovation, and demolition debris recovery.

Through the Request for Qualification process described herein, persons and/or firms interested in assisting the City with the provision of such services must prepare and submit a Qualification Statement in accordance with the procedure and schedule in this RFQ. The City will review Qualification Statements only from those persons and/or firms that submit a Qualification Statement which includes all information which includes all the information required to be included as described herein (in the sole judgment of the City).

The City intends to qualify person(s) and/or firm(s) that (a) possesses the professional, financial and administrative capabilities to provide the proposed services, and (b) will agree to work under the compensation terms and conditions determined by the City to provide the greatest benefit to the taxpayers of the City.

## 2.2 Fair and Open Process

The selection of Qualified Respondents is not subject to the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 *et seq*. The selection is subject to the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play" Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 *et seq*. The City has structured a procurement process that seeks to obtain the desired results described above, while establishing a competitive environment to assure that each person and/or firm is provided an equal opportunity to submit a Qualification Statement in response to the RFQ. Qualification Statements will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 5 of this RFQ, which will be applied in the same manner to each Qualification Statement received.

## 2.3 Evaluation Committee

Qualification Statements will be reviewed and evaluated by the Business Administrator and/or his designees. The Qualification Statements will be reviewed to determine if the Respondent has met the minimum professional, administrative and financial areas described in this RFQ. Based upon the totality of the information contained in the Qualification Statement, including information about the reputation and experience of each Respondent, the committee will determine which Respondents are qualified (professionally, administratively, and financially).

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#### 2.4 Procurement Schedule

The RFQ process commences with the issuance of this RFQ. The steps involved in the process and the anticipated completion dates are set forth in the Procurement Schedule below. The City reserves the right to, among other things, amend, modify or alter the Procurement Schedule upon notice to all potential Respondents.

Activity	<b>Date</b>
1. Issuance of Request for Qualifications	September 15, 2008
2. Receipt of Qualification Statements	October 2, 2008
3. Completion of Evaluation of Qualification Statements	October 16, 2008
4. Designation of Qualified Respondent(s)	October 22, 2008

## 2.5 Addenda or Amendments to RFQ

During the period provided for the preparation of responses to the RFQ, the City may issue addenda, amendments or answers to written inquiries. Those addenda will be noticed by the City and will constitute a part of the RFQ. All responses to the RFQ shall be prepared with full consideration of the addenda issued prior to the Qualification Statement submission date.

# 2.6 Rights of City

The City reserves, holds and may exercise, at its sole discretion, the following rights and options with regard to this RFQ and the procurement process in accordance with the provisions of applicable law:

- To conduct investigations of any or all of the Respondents, as the City deems necessary or convenient, to clarify the information provided as part of the Qualification Statement and to request additional information to support the information included in any Qualification Statement.
- To suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFQ at any time (in its sole discretion). If terminated, the City may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.

## 2.7 Cost of Qualification Statement Preparation

Each Qualification Statement and all information required to be submitted pursuant to the RFQ shall be prepared at the sole cost and expense of the Respondent. There shall be no claims whatsoever against the City, its officers, officials or employees for reimbursement for the payment of costs or expenses incurred in preparing and submitting a Qualification Statement or for participating in this procurement.

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## 2.8 Qualification Statement Format

Qualification Statements must cover all information requested in this RFQ. Qualification Statements which in the judgment of the City fail to meet the requirements of the RFQ or which are in any way conditional, incomplete, obscure, contain additions or deletions from requested information, or contain errors may be rejected.

# 2.9 Communications regarding this RFQ

All communications concerning this RFQ or the RFQ process shall be directed to the City's Designated Contact Person, in writing.

## 2.10 Other conditions applicable to RFQ

Upon submission of a Qualification Statement in response to this RFQ, the Respondent acknowledges and consents to the following conditions relative to the submission and review and consideration of its Qualification Statement:

- This document is an RFQ and does not constitute a Request for Proposals (RFP).
- This RFQ does not commit the City to issue an RFP.
- Qualification of consultants through this RFQ does not commit the City to contract with that consultant for any work.
- The City may request Respondents to send representatives to the City for interviews.

Section 6 of this document describes general terms and conditions. Section 7 of this document contains required administrative forms which must accompany all Qualification Statement. Exclusion of any required form is grounds for rejection of Qualification Statements.

## 2.11 Disposition of RFQ

Upon submission of a Qualification statement in response to this RFQ, the Respondent acknowledges and consents to the following conditions relative to the submission and review and consideration of its Qualification Statement:

- All Qualification Statements shall become the property of the City and will not be returned.
- All Qualification Statements will become public information at the appropriate time, as determined by the City (in the exercise of its sole discretion) in accordance with the law.

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#### **SECTION 3: SCOPE OF SERVICES**

#### 3.1 General

The scope of work will include advising the City on State Mandated regulations relating to programs and procedures relating to new multi-family and commercial development construction, renovation, demolition, and solid waste and recycling programs.

## 3.2 Solid Waste/Recycling Plans

Consultant will develop and/or assist in the development of procedures relating to the submission of Solid Waste and Recycling Plans for all new multi-family and commercial development renovation, demolition, and reconstruction projects.

## 3.3 Plan Review

Consultant will review solid waste and recycling plans for completeness and compliance with State, County, and Local mandated regulations.

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## **SECTION 4: SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

## 4.1 Administrative Information Requirements

The Respondent shall, as part of its Qualification Statement, provide the following information:

- Name, address, and telephone number of the Respondent submitting a Qualification Statement pursuant to this RFQ, and the name, telephone number and email of the key contact person.
- An executive summary (not to exceed two (2) pages) of the information contained in all the other parts of the Qualification Statement.
- An executed Letter of Qualification. (Sample letter in Section 7)
- The number of years Respondent has been in business under present name.
- Confirm appropriate federal and state licenses to perform activities.
- An executed letter of intent. (Sample letter in Section 7).

## 4.2 Professional Information

Please provide a brief discussion of your firm's solid waste/recycling consulting experience in New Jersey. Respondents must have a minimum of ten (10) years experience in providing Solid Waste/Recycling planning services to municipalities and governmental entities including demonstrated experience with the implementation of solid waste and recycling reconstruction projects. Briefly discuss your firm's capabilities, experience, and qualifications for each of the service areas in Section 3 (Scope of Services).

## 4.3 Staffing

Respondents should identify the staff that will directly work with City staff, and those who will provide relevant backup expertise. The role and qualification for all direct staff should also be provided. Qualification information should include educational background, any licenses or certifications for the State of New Jersey. Levels of experience should be specific for each of the service areas in Section 3 (Scope of Services), including experience with other public entities or institutions, with projects similar to the services contained herein.

## 4.4 Prior experience and references

Please provide at least three recent client references of municipalities of comparable size and/or complexity as the City of Jersey City.

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## 4.5. Price Proposal

Please provide cost details including:

- Hourly rates of each of the individuals who will be performing services
- Other expenses

## 4.6 Submission of Qualification Statements

Qualification Statements must be received by the City no later than 11:00 a.m. prevailing time on August 26, 2008, and must be mailed or hand-delivered.

To be responsive, Qualification Statements must provide all requested information, and must be in strict conformance with the instructions set forth herein. Qualification Statements and all related information must be bound, and signed and acknowledged by the Respondent.

## 4.7 Number of copies

Respondents must submit one signed original and at least 3 copies of their proposal of which 1 must be unbound (for photocopying purposes).

Proposals forwarded by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted, however respondents may alternately submit one signed original and 1 softcopy version (PDF) on CD.

Please note that the City will not be responsible for CDs or softcopy files which cannot be opened, and that this may be grounds for rejection.

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#### **SECTION 5: EVALUATION**

The City's objective in soliciting Qualification Statements is to enable it to select a Respondent that will provide high quality and cost effective services to the citizens of Jersey City. The City will consider Qualification Statements only from Respondents that, in the City's sole judgment, have demonstrated the capability and willingness to provide high quality services to the citizens of the City in the manner described in this RFQ.

#### 5.1 Evaluation criteria

Qualification statements will be evaluated by the City on the basis of which is the most advantageous, price and other factors considered. The evaluation will consider:

- Experience and reputation in the field; and
- Experience with projects of similar size/complexity; and
- Price Proposal; and
- Availability to accommodate the needs of the City; and
- Other factors demonstrated to be in the best interest of the City.

## 5.2 Selection of qualified vendor(s)

Each Qualification Statement must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFQ. The City will select the most advantageous Qualification Statements based on all of the evaluation factors set forth in this RFQ. The City will make the award(s) that is in the best interest of the City.

Successful Respondents shall be determined by an evaluation of the total content of the Qualification Statement submitted. The City reserves the right to:

- 1. Not select any of the Qualification Statements;
- 2. Award a contract for the requested services at any time within the qualification period. Every Qualification Statement should be valid through this time period.

The City shall not be obligated to explain the results of the evaluation process to any Respondent.

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#### **SECTION 6: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The following are general terms and conditions which may or may not be explained elsewhere in this RFP.

## 6.1 City's right to reject

The City reserves the right to reject any or all Qualification Statements, if necessary, or to waive any informalities in the Qualification Statements, and, unless otherwise specified by the Respondent, to accept any item, items or services in the Qualification Statement should it be deemed in the best interest of the City.

## 6.2 Original/Authorized signatures

Each Qualification Statement and all required forms must be signed in ink by a person authorized to do so.

## **6.3** Delivery of Qualification Statements

Qualification Statements may be hand delivered or mailed consistent with the provisions of the legal notice to Respondents. In the case of mailed Qualification Statements, the City assumes no responsibility for documents received after the designated date and time and will return late Qualification Statements unopened. Qualification Statements will not be accepted by facsimile or e-mail.

## 6.4 Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action requirements

Consultants are required to comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. No firm may be issued a contract unless it complies with these affirmative action provisions. The Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Language for Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts, Exhibit A summarizes the full required regulatory text.

Goods and Services (including professional services) consultants/contractors shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- a. A photo copy of a valid letter that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action programs (good for one year from the date of the letter); or
- b. A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4; or

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c. A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor, in accordance with N.J.A.C 17:27-4.

The consultant's attention is also called to Section 7 of this document which contains the required information and forms. For information on EEO/AA requirements and forms, please contact:

Jeana F. Abuan, Affirmative Action Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer Department of Administration, Office of Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action 280 Grove Street Room-103
Jersey City NJ 07302

Tel. #201-547- 4533 Fax# 201-547-5088

E-mail Address: abuanJ@jcnj.org

## 6.5 Clarification of RFQ

Should any difference arise between the contracting parties as to the meaning or intent of these instructions or specifications, the City's Business Administrator's decision shall be final and conclusive.

#### 6.6 Indemnification

The Vendor, if awarded the contract, agrees to protect, defend and save harmless the City against damage for payment for the use of any patented material process, article or devise that may enter into the manufacture, construction or form a part of the work covered by either order or contract, and further agrees to indemnity and save harmless the City from suits or actions of every nature and description brought against it for, or on account of, any injuries or damages received or sustained by any party or parties by, or from, any of the acts of the contractor, its servants or agents.

## 6.7 Insurance requirements

The consultant shall maintain sufficient insurance to protect against all claims under Workmen's Compensation, General and Automobile Liability, and shall be subject to approval for adequacy of protection. Certificates of such insurance shall be provided the City when required. Insurance requirements are as follows:

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- Comprehensive General Liability in the amount of \$2,000,000
- Workers Compensation in the statutory amount of \$1,000,000
- Automobile Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000
- Professional Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000

## 6.8 Termination

Should a dispute arise, and if, after a good faith effort at resolution, the dispute is not resolved, either party may terminate the contract by providing 30 days written notice to the other party, Regardless, the City reserves the right to cancel the contract by providing 30 days written notice to the consultant.

## 6.9 Business Registration Certificate

P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) amends and supplements the business registration provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 which impose certain requirements upon a business competing for or entering into a contract with a local contracting agency whose contracting activities are subject to the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2).

Consultants are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) which include submitting a copy of their Business Registration Certificate (BRC), issued by the NJ Department of the Treasury.

For more information on obtaining a BRC, see Section 7.

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**SECTION 7: REQUIRED ADMINISTRATIVE FORMS** 

Please place the checklist and the required forms which follow at the <u>front</u> of your Qualification Statement to facilitate the City's review.

PROJECT:	<b>Solid Waste/Recycling Consulting Services</b>	
RESPONDENT:		

# RESPONDENT'S CHECKLIST

Item	Respondent Initials	Administration Review
A. Letter of Qualification		
B. Non-Collusion Affidavit properly notarized		
C. Public Disclosure Statement		
D. Mandatory Affirmative Action Language		
E. Americans with Disabilities Act		
F. MWBE Questionnaire		
G. Affirmative Action Compliance Notice		
H. Employee Information Report		
I. Business Registration Certificate		
J. Letter of intent		
K. Original signature(s) on all required forms.		

## LETTER OF QUALIFICATION

Note: To be typed on Respondent's Letterhead. No Modifications may be made to this letter.

## [insert date]

Attn: [contact person]
[title]
[Department]
[address]
Jersey City, NJ 0730x

## Dear [contact]:

The undersigned have reviewed the Qualification Statement submitted in response to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) issued by the City of Jersey City (City), dated [insert date], in connection with the City's need for solid waste/recycling consulting services.

We affirm that the contents of our Qualification Statement (which Qualification Statement is incorporated herein by reference) are accurate, factual and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief and that the Qualification Statement is submitted in good faith upon express understanding that any false statement may result in the disqualification of (Name of Respondent).

(Respondent shall sign and complete the spaces provided below. If a joint venture, appropriate officers of each company shall sign.)

(Signature of Chief Executive Officer)	(Signature of Chief Financial Officer)
(Typed Name and Title)	(Typed Name and Title)
(Typed Name of Firm)*	(Typed Name of Firm) *
Dated	Dated

<sup>\*</sup>If joint venture, partnership or other formal organization is submitting a qualification statement, each participant shall execute this Letter of Qualification..

## NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY CITY OF JERSEY CITY ss:

certify that I am
f the firm of
e vendor submitting the Qualification Statement for the above named project, and that I secuted the said Qualification Statement with full authority so to do; that said vendor has not, rectly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken by action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above named project; and that all statements contained in said Qualification Statement and in this affidavit are true and breect, and made with full knowledge that the City of Jersey City relies upon the truth of the attements contained in said Qualification Statement and in the statements contained in this fidavit in awarding the contract for the said project.
further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed to solicit or secure such ontract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or ontingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling gencies maintained by (N.J.S.A.52: 34-25)
Signature of respondent)
UBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO EFORE ME THIS DAY OF 20
TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)
OTARY PUBLIC OF IY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20 .

(NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED WITH THIS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT).

## PUBLIC DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

Chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1977 provides that no Corporation or Partnership shall be awarded any State, City, Municipal or Schools District contracts for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any materials or supplies, unless prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid of said corporation or partnership there is submitted a public disclosure information statement. The statement shall set forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who own ten percent (10%) or more of its stock of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a ten percent (10%) or greater interest therein.

## STOCKHOLDERS:

Name	Address	% owned
SIGNATURE :		
TITLE:		
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO	)	
BEFORE ME THIS DAY	OF 20	
(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF AI	FFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)	
NOTARY PUBLIC OF		
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20	) .	

(NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED WITH THIS QUALIFICATION STATEMENT).

# MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27

# Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts (Mandatory Affirmative Action Language)

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2, or a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, and that it will discontinue the

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use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices..The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the applicable employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions. The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Contract Compliance & EEO as may be requested by the Division from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Contract Compliance & EEO for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to **Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27**.

The undersigned vendor certifies that he/she received, read, and is aware of the commitment to comply with:

N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts (Mandatory Affirmative Action Language)

The undersigned vendor further agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence and understands that his/her bid shall be rejected as non-responsive if said contractor fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Representative's	Name/Title (Print):_	
Representative's	Signature:	
Name of Compan	y:	
Tel. No.:	Date:	

# AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability

The contractor and the	of	, (hereafter
"owner") do hereby agree that the	provisions of Title 11 of the	e Americans With Disabilities Act
of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. S12	21 01 et seq.), which prohibi	its discrimination on the basis of
disability by public entities in all s	services, programs, and activ	vities provided or made available by
public entities, and the rules and r	egulations promulgated purs	suant there unto, are made a part of
this contract.		

In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act.

In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act.

The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation.

The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim, If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the owner shall expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement.

# AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability (continued)

Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

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Name of Company:_					
Tel. No.:	Date:				

# MINORITY/WOMAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MWBE) Ouestionnaire for Bidders

Jersey City Ordinance C-829 establishes a goal of awarding 20% of the dollar amount of total city procurement to minority and woman owned business enterprises.

To assist us in monitoring our achievement of this goal, please indicate below whether your company is or is not a minority owned and/or woman owned business, and return this form with your Qualification Statement.

Business Name:	
Address:	
Telephone No.:	
Contact Name:	
Please check applicable category:	
Minority Owned	Minority & Woman Owned
Woman Owned	Neither

## **Definition of Minority Business Enterprise**

Minority Business Enterprise means a business which is a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation at least 51% of which is owned and controlled by persons who are African American, Hispanic, Asian American, American Indian or Alaskan native, defined as follows:

African American: a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa

**Hispanic:** a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Central or South American or other non-European Spanish culture or origin regardless of race.

**Asian:** a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, South East Asia, Indian subcontinent, Hawaii or the Pacific Islands.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

## **Woman Business Enterprise**

Woman Business Enterprise means a business which is a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation at least 51% of which is owned and controlled by a woman or women.

# AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE NOTICE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS (INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)

This form is a summary of the successful bidder's requirement to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

The successful bidder shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of this contract, one of the following three documents as forms of evidence:

(a) A photocopy of a valid letter that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program (good for one year from the date of the letter);

OR

(b) A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4;

OR

©) A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.

The successful vendor may obtain the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302) from the contracting unit during normal business hours.

The successful vendor(s) must submit the copies of the AA302 Report to the Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Employment Opportunity in Public Contracts (Division). The Public Agency copy is submitted to the public agency, and the vendor copy is retained by the vendor.

The undersigned vendor certifies that he/she is aware of the commitment to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 and agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence.

The undersigned vendor further understands that his/her bid shall be rejected as non-responsive if said contractor fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

COMPANY:		
SIGNATURE:	DATE:	
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NAME:	TITLE:	

## AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE (SAMPLE DOCUMENTS)

Vendor must submit one of the following 3 documents:

- Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval
- Certificate of Employee Information Report
- Employee Information Report Form AA302 (submitted to NJ State Dept of Treasury)

U.S. Department of Labor

Employment Standards Administration

Office of Pederal Contract Compliance Program

Newark Area Office 134 Evergreen Place, Fourth Floor

East Orange, NJ 07018

February 27, 19\_\_

Reply to the attention of:

President

Our recent compliance review of your establishment's equal employment opportunity policies and practices was completed on February 27, 19\_\_\_

We found no apparent deficiencies or violations of Executive Order 11246, as amended. Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or of 38 USC 2012 (the Vietnam Era Vetereans' Readjustment Assistance Act). Accordingly, your establishment is deemed to be in compliance with these laws based on the material reviewed.

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Progress sincerely appreciated the cooperation and courtesies extended by you and your staff during the conduct of the compliance review.

Sincerely,

Area Office Director



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# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

## **IMPORTANT:**

Read the following instructions carefully before completing the form. Print or type all information. Failure to properly complete the entire form may delay issuance of your certificate. If you have a current certificate of employee information report, do not complete this form. Send copy of current certificate to the public agency. Do not complete this form for construction contract awards.

- **ITEM 1** Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.
- **ITEM 2** Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".
- **ITEM 3** Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.
- **ITEM 4** Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominant one.
- **ITEM 5** Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.
- **ITEM 6** Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.
- **ITEM 7** Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.
- **ITEM 8** If "Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.
- **ITEM 9** Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.
- **ITEM 10** Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

**ITEM 11** - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns.

THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT.

DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category.

DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.

## Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

**Black:** Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

**Hispanic:** Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

**Asian or Pacific Islander:** Persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Phillippine Islands and Samoa.

**Non-Minority:** Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

- **ITEM 12** Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.
- **ITEM 13** Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.
- **ITEM 14** If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".
- **ITEM 15** If the answer to Item 15 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.

**ITEM 16** - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

**ITEM 17** - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

## TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN

The vendor is to complete the employee information report form (AA302) and retain copy for the vendor's own files. The vendor is to submit a copy to the public agency awarding the contract and forward a copy to:

NJ Department of the Treasury Division of Contract Compliance & Equal Employment Opportunity P.O. Box 209 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0209 Telephone No. (609) 292-5475

Form: http://nj.gov/treasury/contract\_compliance/pdf/aa302.pdf

Instructions: <a href="http://nj.gov/treasury/contract">http://nj.gov/treasury/contract</a> compliance/pdf/aa302ins.pdf

Note that the sample form shown on the following page is for illustrative purposes only and should not be submitted. Use the state website links above to obtain the actual form.

If you have any questions on EEO/AA forms and/or requirements, please contact:

Jeana F. Abuan, Affirmative Action Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer Department of Administration, Office of Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action 280 Grove Street Room-103
Jersey City NJ 07302

Tel. #201-547- 4533 Fax# 201-547-5088

E-mail Address: abuanJ@jcnj.org

#### STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Division of Contract Compliance & Equal Employment Opportunity

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT					
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#### BUSINESS REGISTRATION LANGUAGE AND SAMPLE BRC

Refer to http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/revenue/busregcert.htm)

P.L. 2004, c. 57 (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)

## MANDATORY BUSINESS REGISTRATION LANGUAGE

#### **Non Construction Contracts**

P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) amends and supplements the business registration provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 which impose certain requirements upon a business competing for, or entering into a contract with a local contracting agency whose contracting activities are subject to the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2).

## "New Jersey Business Registration Requirements"

The contractor shall provide written notice to its subcontractors of the responsibility to submit proof of business registration to the contractor. Before final payment on the contract is made by the contracting agency, the contractor shall submit an accurate list and the proof of business registration of each subcontractor or supplier used in the fulfillment of the contract, or shall attest that no subcontractors were used.

For the term of the contract, the contractor and each of its affiliates and a subcontractor and each of its affiliates [N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(g)(3)] shall collect and remit to the Director, New Jersey Division of Taxation, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into this State, regardless of whether the t Tangible personal property is intended for a contract with a contracting agency.

A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section of P.L.2001, c.134 (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92), or that provides false business registration information under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of

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#### LETTER OF INTENT

(Note: To be typed on Respondent's Letterhead. No Modifications may be made to this letter.

[insert date]
Attn: [contact person]
[title]
[Department]
[address]
Jersey City, NJ 0730x

Dear [contact]:

The undersigned as Respondent, has (have) submitted the attached Qualification Statement in response to a Request for Qualifications (RFQ), issued by the City of Jersey City (City), dated [insert date], in connection with the City's need for solid waste/recycling consulting services.

## Name of Respondent HEREBY STATES

- 1. The Qualification Statement contains accurate, factual and complete information.
- 2. **Name of Respondent)** agrees (agree) to participate in good faith in the procurement process as described in the RFQ and to adhere to the City's procurement schedule.
- 3. **Name of Respondent)** acknowledges (acknowledge) that all costs incurred by it (them) in connection with the preparation and submission of the Qualification Statement and any Qualifications Statement prepared and submitted in response to the RFQ, or any negotiation which results therefrom shall be borne exclusively by the Respondent.
- 4. **Name of Respondent)** hereby declares (declare) that the only persons participating in this Qualification Statement as Principals are named herein and that no person other than those herein mentioned has any participation in this Qualification Statement or in any contract to be entered into with respect thereto. Additional persons may subsequently be included as participating Principals, but only if acceptable to the City.
- 5. (Name of Respondent) declares that this Qualification Statement is made without connection with any other person, firm or parties who has submitted a Qualification Statement, except as expressly set forth below and that it has been prepared and has been submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud.
- 6. **Name of Respondent**) acknowledges and agrees that the City may modify, amend, suspend and/or terminate the procurement process (in its sole judgment). In any case, the City shall not have any liability to the Respondent for any costs incurred by the Respondent with respect to the procurement activities described in this RFQ..

	ply with all applicable affirmative action and similar such actions as are required in order to comply with
(Signature of Chief Executive Officer)	
(Typed Name and Title)	
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shall execute this Letter of Intent.

7. Name of Respondent) acknowledges that any contract executed with respect to the